

# **Bulletin from July 18, 2024**

President Ana Kanbara presiding. Bell rung at 7:05AM.

Song: Gary Goodman

Pledge: Charlie Christensen

Prayer: Ken Darby Scribe: Channa

### **GUESTS:**

Selena Little - Ana Little's kid

Sophia Mix - Kiwanis Liasion, Selena's previous position

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Sad news: our dear friend Ron Beadreau sadly passed away, 7/17/2024
- Adrian we would appreciate more help with bulletin scribes every week

# **INTERCLUB**: Ken Darby

**July 26 interclub to Turlock**, about 10-12 people signed up. Merced will be next, some time soon. Trying to get a Zoom meeting with the Gemstones, but have not been able to get a hold of them.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**:

July 13 - Murray Breeze

July 15 - Steve Perry

July 17 - Marty Villa, 78. He worked all morning and afternoon, and ErnieRuth worked all afternoon. Then afterward they went to Papapolloni's for a lovely dinner. He had been wanting to try their lamb chops for a while. A young man at a nearby table proposed to his girlfriend, she said yes.

## **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

July 3 - Brian Sanders. Went to Florida for a Fling Golf Championship. After a few days of fling golf, it was Debbie time. They went to Niagara Falls and it was pouring rain.

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July 9 - Bob Gowans

July 13 - Ken Darby got married a few years ago, but it was not on a Friday. They went for lunch at the Old Mill and had a great time. \$40 for the anniversary and happy buck because his neighbor went to their volleyball tournament and made it to 5th place at the national level.

#### **CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:**

July 6 -Tim Ragsdale, 24 years. Joined in the year 2000 "because that would be an easy year to remember". He's very proud to have been a Kiwanian for 24 years. He went to Carlsbad last week to visit his daughter.

July 12 - Nicole Boyarsky and Jewel Kee celebrating 1 year

July 16 - Dave Giddings, 32 years

#### **HAPPY/SAD BUCKS:**

Gary G - sad buck for missing last week's meeting to go to Cambria on a fishing trip. Sad buck for the passing of his wife's sister.

Adrian - happy bucks for a nice weekend at John's cabin. Had a few raindrops that were wonderful.

Larry - happy bucks for going to air show at Mather Air Force Base in Sacramento. Spent a lot of time in Navy working on planes. Great air show with super fast jets going about 100 knots.

Lori - bragging bucks about granddaughter. Made elite group of 20 girls for the West Coast, and now in the elite 100 in the national league. Gold team of 14, 16, 18 year olds to get them ready for college scouting. She has now decided to play volleyball too; all while maintaining a 4.0 GPA.

Nan - daughter in Houston finally got her power back on after 9 days without electricity. Hurricane clean-up is on the way.

Judy - happy to have Harrison back to help with setting up speakers.

# **SOCIALS:** Randy Cook

Last Saturday at John Sanders cabin was lovely. Simple BBQ with nice weather, that turned to a little bit of rain later.

Jul 24, 2024 AGF Appreciation Night at Reed Carseum @ 220 Empire Ave Aug 8, 2024 Meeting at the Great Valley Museum at MJC West Campus

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PROGRAM: Judy introduced our speaker from the Shower SHuttle, Dean Dodd.

Topic: Shower Shuttle

In 2009, Dean started Church in the Park Modesto. Volunteers go to a park to feed people and spread the gospel. Soon enough he realized there was a need. Everyone was getting a free government phone but had no way to charge them. He started a charging station. He started with 5 devices and is now up to 30 devices to help meet needs.

Then shortly after, the idea came to mind to create mobile showers. In our area, there are only two places where you can shower: the Modesto Gospel Mission and the Salvation Army. His group brings shuttles to places with the most need, partnering with different organizations.

They have three buses: Grace, Mercy, and Faith. After starting the shower shuttle, he realized that they needed more than one bus to fulfill the need. Mercy is ADA compliant with a wheelchair lift to help guests in wheelchairs. Each guest is allotted 6 minutes per shower. Soon, they also added a shaving station for the men. It's one thing to be well showered and clean, but there's also a need to be clean-shaven. One must be presentable if they're looking for a job. His motto is: "clean bodies make clean clothes".

Why start a laundry shuttle? They noticed that people were cleaning their clothes in the bathrooms and making a mess. The idea came to them to provide a laundry service so that they have clean clothes and feel better about themselves. They operate year-round, and provide hot and cold showers. Also, provide a hygiene kit after their shower. Children are homeless too. They have been providing showers for over 40,000 people since 2016. They serve whole families as well as individuals who experience homelessness. They have partnered with different organizations to make hygiene kits so that they can pass out to their guests. Kits include: new underwear, socks, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, and a shaving kit.

Faith is the laundry bus. They recently added a 4th dryer because it takes longer to dry clothes than to wash them. They weigh clothing to maintain efficiency, each guest is allowed 10 pounds of dry clothes. They are not trying to end homelessness, they trying to change the face of homelessness with one shower at a time. Each shower costs \$10 - two paid employees per bus to assist, cost to run machines/showers, kits, insurance, etc (pre-inflation price). Their budget is \$30,000 a month to help those in need. If they fall to the wayside, there is no one else to fill that gap. They are the only ones in town that do what they do. They have 9 employees - 2 bookkeepers and 7 who work on the buses. Hurting people, hurt people. Somewhere down the line, they were hurt and used hurt as a defensive mechanism which perpetuates the cycle.

First request, pray for them. Second, help spread the word through social media to help raise awareness. Third, have kindness in your heart. He is asking us to search our hearts to help be

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a part of the solution. Ongoing donations really help pay their bills. Price has increased from \$10 to roughly \$15-16 per shower.

Marble Draw: Gary Goodman, two marbles in the bag and he still got the white!

Lunch Money: Rich Reimche for the guaranteed \$5

## Meeting Adjourned at 8:06AM

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Sponsored Youth		<ol> <li>Enochs - Gary Wasmund</li> <li>Vanguard Key Club/Builders Club - Ken Nolte</li> <li>Beyer - inactive</li> <li>Modesto - Channa Kang</li> <li>Johansen - Judy Herrero</li> <li>Downey - unknown</li> <li>Davis - Lori Rosman</li> <li>Gregori - Nan Jacobs</li> </ol>	
Aktion Club of Stanislaus County		Channa Kang	

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Spiritual Aims	Marty Villa		
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Insurance Commissioner	Robert Husman		
Bulletin	Judy, Tim R., Adrian, Channa		
FUNDRAISING AND EVENT CHAIRS			
Graffiti	Brent Burnside, Charlie Christensen		
Christmas Baskets	Marty Villa		
Breakfast with Santa	Jennifer Mullen		

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